

Police Clubbers Beat Up Citizen In the Station

Brooklyn Man, Attacked While Waiting for Car, Tells Court One Detective Staggered From Liquor

Inquiry by Prosecutor

Patrolman, Held on Drunkenness Charge, Is Said to Have Fired Into Homes

Thomas Rafferty, of 84 Fourth Place, Brooklyn, testified in Flatbush court yesterday that he had suffered brutal treatment at the hands of Detective James Steel and William Dempsey, of the Parkville station, Brooklyn. He said Steel was drunk and that both Steel and Dempsey struck him.

The charge of robbery on which Rafferty had been arraigned was dismissed by Magistrate Reynolds, who would have issued a warrant against the two detectives had not Assistant District Attorney Edward Cooper declared that an investigation into the conduct of the detectives would be made by the Police Department and the District Attorney's office.

The accused detectives were on duty last night at the Parkville station. Rafferty was arraigned in court in connection with the robbery of the store of Morris Horn, at 559 Coney Island Avenue. Horn was not in court when Rafferty was arraigned, and the detectives were instructed to get him.

Arrested Without Complaint

Horn told the court that Rafferty was arrested without complaint when the detectives brought him into the store and that he told them Rafferty was not one of the robbers.

They did not tell me to come to court to prove charges against him," said Horn, "and I supposed that that was all there was to it."

Rafferty's head was wrapped in bandages when he appeared before Magistrate Reynolds. He said he had called on his employer, John Delano, 228 Westminister Road, Sunday night, and left about midnight. He was waiting for a taxi when he was arrested.

The detectives grabbed him. He said he was struck the first time while in a taxi, and that on the way to the police station, Steel threatened to hit him several times. He said he was over one eye and a cut lip. Steel, he said, was so drunk at the station that he staggered about the room.

Patrolman Held for Drunkenness

Steel told the court that Rafferty tried to break away from them in a candy store at Church and Coney Island avenues and that he struck him over the head once with a blackjack. That was the only time the prisoner was hit, he said.

Patrolman Daniel Mullin, of the Hamilton Avenue station, was arraigned in Gates Avenue court, Brooklyn, yesterday on a charge of drunkenness and held in 1907 bed.

Examination February 1. Although charged with intoxication Mullin, it is said, at a dock yesterday morning told the court that he was taken into apartments in the house at 245 Summer Avenue. One of the bullets narrowly missed a tenant, Frank Penna, who lives with two children and two grandchildren.

The other bullet was fired into the apartment of Fred Smith. The information was preferred by Patrolman Francis Gunkel, of the Gates Avenue station.

Say Patrolman Has a Side Line

Charged with engaging in other business while a member of the Police Department, Patrolman Herman Jacobs, of the Brownville station, was taken before Deputy Commissioner John A. Leach in Brooklyn yesterday. Jacobs, who was a former taxi patrolman, was assigned to duty at Broadway and Forty-second street, Manhattan, was accused of selling jewelry to citizens.

Jewelry in the neighborhood say they found Jacobs a great competitor, and when they were unable to cope with his price, they wrote to Mayor Hylan, and Inspector John Coughlin assigned two detectives to the case. The detectives said they saw Jacobs transacting business with John Oswald, known as Jack Curley, a prizefight promoter.

Oswald testified yesterday that he had received a ring from Jacobs on approval and that he intended to give it to his wife for a birthday gift. He said that he had purchased other jewelry from Jacobs. Counsel for the patrolman asked for adjournment until next Tuesday, it was granted.

Bandits Seize \$8,058 Pay Roll From Cincinnati Messengers

CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—Two bandits today held up office attaches of the Nash Tailoring Company at the point of delivery, robbed them of the company pay roll amounting to \$8,058, and escaped.

The hold-up was staged on the sidewalk in front of the company's factory, Peter Griessky and Mrs. Clara Hornman, employees of the company, were followed from the bank by an automobile.

They stepped out of their car the robbers leaped from their machine, pressed revolvers against them and forced them to drop the bag containing the money.

Not in Police Rules, but "Chivalry First"



All unaware of the presence of a photographer, this policeman on skates was snapped yesterday afternoon as he escorted a young woman skater over the ice in Central Park.

Slayer of Cyclist Interrupting Silk Bandits Is Convicted

Ten Other Members of Band Operating on Jersey Highway Await Trial Also on Murder Indictments

NEWTON, N. J., Jan. 24. Antonio Turcko, taxi cab driver of Easton, Pa., was found guilty to-night of murder in the first degree by a jury in the Supreme Court before Justice James F. Minturn. Turcko was charged with killing Albert Kosta at Cat Swamp, N. J., on June 14.

Turcko and ten other men were indicted for the crime, which was perpetrated when Kosta, on a motorcycle, was struck by a car driven by Turcko and his hand robbing an Essex Mills silk truck in the Passaic Road near Cat Swamp.

The slayer, testifying in his own defense in the afternoon, denied having been a member of the gang operating on Essex Mills silk truck in the Passaic Road near Cat Swamp.

He said he had paid \$1,000 to be smuggled to Italy on an Italian ship, but that an officer of the liner had discovered him and delivered him to the police.

State Senator Peter McGinnis, of Paterson, counsel for Turcko, moved to have stricken from the record all testimony which referred to persons other than Turcko in connection with the robbery and the killing of Kosta.

Justice Minturn, in charging the jury, said that if the prisoner was found guilty of murder in the first degree there ought to be no recommendation of mercy. The jury deliberated less than an hour.

Police precautions against a jail delivery of the ten other prisoners awaiting trial are maintained. More than fifty policemen, including a squad of state police, are kept about the jail and courthouse. Trial of the remaining prisoners will begin within two weeks.

Killed Corcoran to Save Own Life, Grubb's Plea

William Grubb, twenty-four years old, of 259 West Twentieth Street, charged with killing George Corcoran in the Grubb home last May after a quarrel in which Mrs. Grubb was said to have been involved, admitted firing the shot which killed Corcoran when placed on trial yesterday before Judge Rosovsky and a jury in general sessions.

Grubb said the shooting was in self defense. He admitted dissatisfaction with Mrs. Grubb's apparent friendly relations with Corcoran, who is said to have had a police record, but added

\$270,000 Thief "Soul Mate" Leaves Garland Asks Chance to Pay Back in Full

Former Employee of Bond Company President Says Relative Is to Blame for Defalcation in Securities

His Offer Not Accepted

Present Employer Urges Leniency and Will Help in Making Restitution

Harry P. Gibney, of the Hotel Tammany, Brooklyn, admitted before Judge Crain in General Sessions yesterday that he stole \$270,000 from Stanley Z. Mitchell, president of the Electric Bond and Share Company, of 71 Broadway. In making this admission he asked for a chance to pay the money back. If given the opportunity he will refund every cent, he said.

The opinions of Mr. Mitchell, who is his former employer, and S. J. Florentine, president of the United Barber Shops, Inc., who is his present employer, differ as to what should be done about the case. Mr. Mitchell thinks that Gibney should be sent to prison as an example to other dishonest employees, but Mr. Florentine, who is his family when his term expires, Mr. Florentine thinks Gibney should be given a chance, is convinced his employee will pay the money back and is willing to loan Gibney's salary \$1,000 a year to make restitution easier.

Judge Crain remanded Gibney to the Tombs for sentence on January 27. Gibney told the court that he was sorry. He also said that he did not profit from the theft and blamed the defalcation upon a relative. He said in his signed confession that this relative had done away with securities belonging to Mr. Mitchell, and that he was ready and willing to prosecute the relative. It was explained that the money stolen by Gibney belonged to Mr. Mitchell personally and not to the Electric Bond and Share Company.

Despite the fact that Mr. Mitchell expressed himself as being averse to allowing Gibney to escape a prison sentence, Mr. Florentine, president of the United Barber Shops, Inc., urged that Gibney be shown mercy if possible. He wrote that he had found Gibney's services as an assistant to him at \$4,000 a year very valuable and that if he were possible he would like to retain Gibney in his employ. He said he was willing to increase his salary to \$5,000 a year now, with further increases as the business of the company warrants, and in addition to give him outright from his holdings a block of five thousand shares of the common stock of the United Barber Shops, Inc.

Mr. Gibney's story of the shooting was that it took place in Sixteenth Street after he had ordered Corcoran from his house. Corcoran rushed at him armed with a revolver and threatening to kill him, he said. He drew his own revolver and fired two shots. Corcoran fell.

The trial will proceed to-day.

Schlemmers Can't Agree: Wife Asks Alimony

All efforts at reconciliation proving unavailing, Mrs. Mary A. Schlemmer applied to Justice Guy in the Supreme Court yesterday for alimony pending her action for separation against William P. Schlemmer, president of Hamacher, Schlemmer & Co., hardware manufacturers, Counsel for the wife told the court that Mr. Schlemmer had offered her \$12,000 a year if she would sue him for a divorce in Paris. Alimony in proportion to that offer was suggested.

It is not the policy of the law," said Justice Guy, "that a woman who is seeking to end the marriage relation shall have all the luxury of marriage. She is entitled to one-third of the income he receives. She cannot expect the extras that a loving husband would naturally bestow upon her if the two were living contentedly together."

Justice Guy told the attorneys to submit briefs. It may be advisable, he added, to send the matter to a referee to determine the amount of Mr. Schlemmer's income, which might then be used as a basis for an award of alimony.

Mrs. Schlemmer alleges cruel treatment and abandonment. She also complained that her husband spent too much time in the company of Mrs. William J. Wilkinson, whose husband is suing Mr. Schlemmer for \$500,000 for alienation of his wife's affections.

Big Gun That Has No Recoil To Be Tested at Liege Feb. 6

BRUSSELS, Jan. 24.—"Le Soir" says that experiments will begin at Liege, February 6, with a new gun which, it claims, expectations, will have world-wide bearing on ordnance. The invention is that of a French engineer, Demaree Maze, who will direct the tests. There is no recoil when the gun is fired, consequently it is possible to eliminate the brake and skid devices. It will have the same power as other guns of its size, with only one-third of their weight.

Miss Conrad Returns to Boston and Resumes Art Study, Promising She Will Not Go Back to Romantic Unconventionality

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Miss Lillian Conrad has given up life on the North Carver farm of Charles Garland, who refused a legacy of a million dollars to stay by the soil and work out life's philosophy rather than go to the city and be rich. To-day it was learned that Miss Conrad, whose life with Garland was responsible in part for an estrangement between him and Mrs. Garland, has been taken into the home of a Boston family. She has decided to participate no more in the soul philosophies of farm life, and Garland is left alone. Mrs. Garland and her baby are living at her father's home at Dedham.

The Tidewater League, of Boston, removed Miss Conrad from the influence of Garland's erotic philosophy, and not until Garland is freed from the bonds of matrimony will she go back to him. She is studying diligently as a student in the School of Applied Arts, at 296 Boston Street.

Miss Mary Irving Husted, director of the school, yesterday made an appeal in behalf of the girl, asking that society be lenient in its judgment. "She has made a complete statement of the case to me, and I know that at the present time Miss Conrad is leading an upright, pure life," said Miss Husted.

Garland is now without the society and affection of any one with whom to continue his experiment at his farm. He was in Boston yesterday to see Miss Conrad, but departed for home last night without her.

"The Tidewater League, under whose auspices this school is run, will stand

by Miss Conrad, provided that she does not return to Miss Husted, said she was not as fully developed as most young women of her age. The director asserted that she was a serious student and had shown marked ability at her work.

While there has apparently been a transformation in Miss Conrad which augurs well for the future, Garland has not abandoned his idea on love. He still hopes for the return of Miss Conrad. While acknowledging that his love belongs to Miss Conrad, he does not venture to say she will be his only love. He said:

"I do not seek a divorce from Mrs. Garland, but if she sues me for a divorce I will not contest the action. I see no possibility for a reconciliation. I will always have a fatherly interest and affection for my children, but would not be willing to live with my wife just for their sake."

"My companionship would not compensate them for living in a home where there is no love and no harmony. The law might intervene and restrain me from carrying out my intentions of living with Miss Conrad or punish me for doing it, but I would face that contingency when it arose."

"My ideas about matrimony and love have nothing to do with my reasons for declining the inheritance from my father. My responsibility, as I recognize it, is to do that which I owe to myself, for my own self-development and self-expression."

told the Governor that in the main Staten Island favors the Port Authority's plan.

Governor Miller to-day said he believed there was no reason to feel alarmed over the statement made by Deputy Corporation Counsel W. A. De Ford that the Transit Commission would have power arbitrarily to increase fares if the transit companies should refuse to accept its plan.

"I have not read Mr. De Ford's letter with care," said the Governor, "but I noted the point he raised. This question, I believe, was taken care of in an amendment I suggested last year. If about the study should suggest the desirability of a further amendment it will certainly have my approval."

City's Alcoholic Wards Do Thriving Business

According to records of the Department of Public Welfare, liquor is putting 200 per cent more patients in the ten city hospitals now than at any time before prohibition went into effect. Commissioner Bird S. Coler, of the department, said that he was not criticizing anybody, but the fact remained that the government representatives hereabouts "used no discretion in giving out liquor."

"All the alcoholic wards are doing a thriving business," said Commissioner Coler. "We are receiving more alcoholic patients than before prohibition. Records show more patients and less deaths. In the Kings County Hospital there were five cases yesterday, three Sunday, seven Saturday, six Friday and four Thursday. I think you will find that it figures about 200 per cent more cases than in the old days."

"Without attempting to discuss the merits of prohibition, it is of interest to know that in the ten greater New York hospitals under the Department of Welfare, Health, Correction and Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, we use from 500 to 700 gallons of liquor a year and I do not believe that more than 3,000 gallons is necessary any year for all medical work in the city, including doctors' prescriptions. That much probably is distributed every day or week in this city now."

Court Passes Bottle of Rare Whisky to Jurors

The pall of monotony which usually settles over liquor hearings in the Federal courts was dispelled by comedy case yesterday. Judge Harlan S. Rowe, of Vermont, sitting in Brooklyn, passed a bottle of liquid evidence and let the jurymen have a drink.

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One Caught in Bandit Chase After \$65 Hold-Up Four Rob Brooklyn Store and Beat Manager Who Refuses to Give Up Diamond Ring

Two bandits entered the James Butler grocery store at 370 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon and asked Christopher Dunn, the manager, for a box of matches and a cake of soap.

Dunn went to the back of the store, and when he returned with the articles he found the two men joined by two others, and three of them were holding revolvers. The bandits covered Dunn and two electricians at work in the store, took \$25 from the cash register and forced Dunn into a rear room, where the manager turned over \$40 of his own.

The robbers were preparing to depart when one noticed a diamond ring Dunn was wearing. He was ordered to take off the ring, and when he refused was struck over the head with the revolver.

The bandits fled without the ring, followed closely by the electricians. The cries of the pursuers attracted a large crowd, which chased the robbers west in Myrtle Avenue until they separated. The one man who continued on Myrtle Avenue was followed by the crowd. Patrolman Peter Laro, of the Classon Avenue police station, seeing the chase, arrested a man who gave his name as Michael Rizzo, a laborer, of 196 Prospect Street, Brooklyn. He was locked up.

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Chas. C. Deming, Esq., Chancellor.

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